No. R. 9147—*L. R.* 227-97-9, *dated 5th January* 1906.

Under Section 6 of the Land Acquisition Regulation, VII of 1894, it is hereby declared that the land described hereunder is required for a public purpose, *viz.*, for inclusion in the compound of the Local Fund Dispensary in the Alur village, Alur Sub-Taluk; and under Section 7 of the said Regulation, the Treasury Assistant Commissioner in charge of the Alur Sub-Taluk is authorized to take order for the acquisition of the said land :—

District—Hassan.
Taluk—Alur Sub-Taluk.
Hobli—Alur.
Village—Alur.
Name of khatedar—Santhaiya.
Survey No.—Phod No. 3 of 20.
Dry, wet or garden—Dry.
Total extent—one acre and thirty-seven guntas.
Assessment—Rs. 1-12-0.
Extent now required—
Extent—One acre and thirty-seven guntas.
Boundaries—
East—Police lines and the old road.
West—Hospital compound.
North—Tank bed.
South—Old road.

No. R. 9172—*L. R.* 353-05-2, *dated 5th January* 1906.

In supersession of Notification No. R. 4318, dated the 30th June 1904, published in page 548 of the *Mysore Gazette* dated the 21st July 1904, the following revised rules regarding the scheme sanctioned by the Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore for improving the Shekdari service are published for general information :—

1. From the 1st of July 1904, the pay of the shekdars shall be Rs. 35 for the first class, Rs. 30 for the second and Rs. 25 for the third.

2. The number of the shekdars shall be 374, and their number in each class shall not exceed the following proportion :—

Twenty per cent of the total number in the first class, *i.e.*, 75 at Rs. 35 each.
Thirty per cent of the total number in the second class, *i.e.*, 112 at Rs. 30 each.
Fifty per cent of the total number in the 3rd class, *i.e.*, 187 at Rs. 25 each.

3. The shekdars will draw a horse allowance of Rs. 10 each per month, and the malnad allowance, wherever allowed, will continue as heretofore.

4. Every shekdar shall keep a decent riding pony, and spend at least twenty days in every month on tour in his hobli.

5. The qualifications for admission into this service shall be :—

(1) That the applicant has passed a University Examination not lower than the Matriculation, and that in the case of men not already in service, they are not above the age of twenty-five years;

(2) That the candidate is pronounced physically fit by a Medical Officer not inferior in rank to a District Medical Officer.

6. Candidates for shekdari shall ordinarily have—

(*a*) passed the Local Service Revenue Examination,

(*b*) obtained a certificate from the Deputy Commissioner that he has satisfied himself, by personally examining or with the aid of others, that the candidate is able to read and write Kannada,

(*c*) undergone one year's course in the Government Engineering School at Mysore in the class for Sub-Surveyors, Maistris, Tank and Work Inspectors and qualified themselves in the following subjects :—

(1) Building, Drawing and Estimating (Elementary).
(2) Building Materials and Construction (do).
(3) Hydraulic and Irrigation Works (do).
(4) Earthwork and Road-making (do).

(*d*) obtained a certificate from the Commandant of the Imperial or the Local Service Regiment at Bangalore or Mysore, that they are able to ride at least six miles an hour or fifteen miles in four hours, cross country, without unduly distressing themselves or their animals, or satisfied the Deputy Commissioner concerned that they have attained the above standard of proficiency in riding.

7. Candidates qualifying as above shall become eligible for the post of shekdar, the first appointment being ordinarily made on the occurrence of a vacancy.

In exceptional cases, however, Government reserve to themselves the power of directing that a candidate after appointment but prior to confirmation, be allowed to obtain either of the qualifications mentioned in clause (*c*) or clause (*d*) or both, of Rule 6.

8. As it is necessary that a person so appointed should be trained in practical surveying before he is confirmed and actually put upon the duties of shekdar, the following course of instruction is prescribed :—

(1) He will be attached to a Measuring Establishment for one Field Season, eight months or less in special cases, for receiving practical instruction.

(2) As a test to his qualification, he should obtain a certificate from the Officer in charge of the Measuring Establishment to which he is attached, that he is competent to execute ordinary chain and cross-staff measurement and knows the Measuring Rules.

(3) In very exceptional cases, where the candidate deserves it, the Officer may grant a certificate after a training of not less than four months.

(4) When the number of shekdars to be trained is too large to admit of their being attached to Measuring Establishments, some of them may be attached to District Surveyors, who may also grant certificates in the same manner as officers in charge of Measuring Establishments and such certificates may be accepted.

9. In the case of candidates who are already in the service of Government, or who have been nominated as fit for the post of shekdar under these rules by the Deputy Commissioners of Districts or the Revenue Commissioner, and to whom it has been considered expedient to allow the benefit of the proviso to Rule 7, an allowance of one-half of the pay of such shekdars shall be granted during the period of their stay, not exceeding one term, in the Engineering School at Mysore to qualify themselves, as required in clause (*c*) of Rule 6, and they shall be admitted to the Engineering School as free scholars. A similar allowance shall also be given to candidates attached to Measuring Establishments of the Mysore Revenue Survey, as required by Rule 8, while so attached.

The concessions allowed by this rule shall be in operation only for such period as Government may from time to time direct.

10. Promotions from the third class to the second class, and from the second to the first shall be regulated in the following manner :—

(1) Till the maximum number of vacancies is filled up in each class, two years' efficient service in a class of a shekdar qualified as above will entitle him to promotion to the next higher class ;

(2) when the full number of shekdars in the first and second classes is appointed, promotion will be regulated by vacancies occurring from time to time, and will depend upon the comparative merits, qualifications and services of men in the lower classes.

11. No shekdar that does not qualify himself as herein laid down shall be entitled to the pay of any of the new classes, but shall get only the pay to which he is entitled under the old rules.

12. The following duties can be performed by shekdars :—

(*a*) Collecting Sayer duty where no special agency for the purpose exists, and supervising the work of Sayer Karkoons where such are employed.

(*b*) Supervising the Revenue collections and the action of village servants in connection therewith.

(*c*) Supervising the preparation, issue and service of notice of demand.

(*d*) Attaching property of defaulters, under the orders of Amildars.

(*e*) Holding sales of property, under the provisions of the rules in force.

(*f*) Submitting reports, when precautionary measures for the security of land revenue have to be adopted under Sections 146 to 151 of the Land Revenue Code.

(*g*) Occasionally examining and checking the Shanbhog's Khaneshumari, Khate and Khirdi accounts and verifying the latter with the receipts granted to raiyats for the revenue paid by them.

(*h*) Occasionally examining Patel's Registers of vital statistics and cattle mortality.

(*i*) Submission of reports on darkhasts for land for cultivation, building, etc.

(*j*) Sale of darkhast lands and petty items of Government miscellaneous revenue, under proper authority.

(*k*) Submission of reports on the season, rainfall and other matters affecting the general condition of his hobli, with special reference to the requirements of Section 10 of the Famine Relief Code.

(*l*) Subdividing and plotting subdivisions of survey numbers.

(*m*) Testing the Pahani entries made by shanbhogs in respect of crops and their outturn, state of boundary marks, and unauthorized use of Government water;

inspecting not less than five per cent of survey numbers in each village every year; and giving particular attention to the boundary marks of unoccupied survey numbers.

(*n*) Enforcing the maintenance of field survey boundary marks.

(*o*) Attending to the village conservancy and noticing encroachments on public paths.

(*p*) Maintenance of avenue trees and topes.

(*q*) Inspection of tanks, channels and minor Government buildings; and submitting reports of such inspections; and making arrangements to avert danger in emergent cases.

(*r*) Annual maintenance work to tanks and channels.

(*s*) Attending to the proper distribution of water from tanks and channels where disputes arise and no special agency for the purpose exists.

(*t*) Protection of District Forests and sandal trees.

(*u*) Supplying dak-bullocks and attending to the requirements of officers and travellers when necessary.

(*v*) Inspection of ferry boats and baskets as to their safe condition, and enforcing a strict observance of the rules prescribed regarding the management of the ferries.

(*w*) Supplies to troops.

(*x*) Inspection of the great Trigonometrical Survey Stations.

(*y*) Helping vaccinators in their work.

(*z*) Inspection of Muzrai Institutions.

(*aa*) Such other duties as may be assigned by his superior officers.

13. In the introduction of the new service in place of the old, the existing shekdars shall be replaced gradually, and men qualified under the rules will be appointed, as vacancies occur.

No. R. P. 169—*G. M.* 88-05-124, *dated 6th January* 1906.

The Government of His Highness the Maharaja of Mysore are pleased to declare that Monday the 29th, Tuesday, the 30th, and Wednesday, the 31st January 1906, shall be observed as general holidays in Government Offices, Courts and Schools throughout the Mysore State, in honor of the visit to Mysore of Their Royal Highnesses the Prince and Princess of Wales.

2. They are further pleased to declare that Monday, the 5th February 1906, the date of Their Royal Highnesses' arrival at Bangalore, shall also be observed as a holiday at Bangalore in all Government Offices, Courts and Schools.

3. Arrangements should, however, be made by the Heads of Offices for the despatch of urgent work.

No. 7091—*L. B.* (78-05)-25, *dated 8—9th January* 1906.

Mr. Rame Gowda, patel of Budikote, is appointed a member of the Bowringpet Taluk Board in place of Mr. Cocrane, removed for having absented himself from three consecutive meetings of the Board.

CIVIL APPOINTMENTS.

Heads of Departments and all other officers concerned are informed that Notifications in the Gazette are in future to be accepted as disposing of all references regarding leave, transfers, appointments, powers and other personal questions affecting Gazetted officers, as to which orders are gazetted by the Government in this Part of the Gazette, and that any subsidiary orders as to relief of their subordinates and the like, which such notifications necessitate, must be issued by them on receipt of the Gazette, as no other orders will be issued by Government.

No. R. 9174—*Agri.* 86-05-2, *dated 5th January* 1906.

Under Article 188 of the Mysore Service Regulations, Mr. A. K. Yegnanarayana Aiyer, M.A., Assistant Chemist, is granted privilege leave of absence for one month, with effect from the 5th January 1906, or from the subsequent date from which he may avail himself of the same.